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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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| Attorney Docket No. | NAM-1 |
| First Inventor | Cliff Evans et al |
| Title | SKIMMER SEAL |
| Express Mail Label No. | EV321406733 US |

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. Specification [Total Pages 14]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5] [Total Pages 3]

5. Oath or Declaration

- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
- c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney

10. English Translation Document (if applicable)

11. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

12. Preliminary Amendment

13. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

14. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)

15. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

16. Other:

17. Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:
 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: _____ /
Group Art Unit: _____

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | | |
| 105 | 130 | 205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 127 | 50 | 227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 139 | 130 | 139 130 Non-English specification | |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 112 | 920* | 112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 113 | 1,840* | 113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 115 | 110 | 215 55 Extension for reply within first month | |
| 116 | 390 | 216 195 Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 | 890 | 217 445 Extension for reply within third month | |
| 118 | 1,390 | 218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 | 1,890 | 228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 119 | 310 | 219 155 Notice of Appeal | |
| 120 | 310 | 220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 | 270 | 221 135 Request for oral hearing | |
| 138 | 1,510 | 138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 140 | 110 | 240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 | 1,240 | 241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 142 | 1,240 | 242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 143 | 440 | 243 220 Design issue fee | |
| 144 | 600 | 244 300 Plant issue fee | |
| 122 | 130 | 122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 | 50 | 123 50 Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 126 | 240 | 126 240 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 581 | 40 | 581 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 146 | 710 | 246 355 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 149 | 710 | 249 355 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
| 179 | 710 | 279 355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 169 | 900 | 169 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application | |
| Other fee (specify) _____ | | | |

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

| Total Claims | 12 | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|----|--------------|----------------|----------|
| Independent Claims | 2 | -20** = | X | = |
| Multiple Dependent | | -3** = | X | = |

Large Entity Small Entity

| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description |
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| 103 | 18 | 203 9 Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 | 80 | 202 40 Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 | 270 | 204 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 109 | 80 | 209 40 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 110 | 18 | 210 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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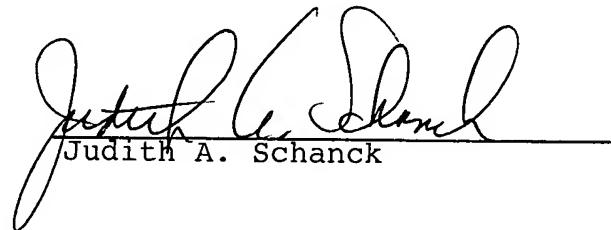
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